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10 IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
11 FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

12 JEFFREY JEROME BLAN,

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14 Petitioner,

15 v.

16 M.C. KRAMER, Warden,

17 Respondent.

C 07-5781 CRB (PR)

**DECLARATION OF COUNSEL IN  
SUPPORT OF APPLICATION FOR  
ENLARGEMENT OF TIME TO  
FILE ANSWER TO PETITION**

18 I, LISA ASHLEY OTT, declare under penalty of perjury as follows:

19 I am the California Deputy Attorney General assigned to represent respondent in this case.  
20 Respondent's answer is due April 12, 2008, per this Court's Order To Show Cause, filed on  
21 February 12, 2008.

22 Following a jury trial in Santa Cruz County Superior Court, petitioner was convicted of  
23 first degree burglary and petty theft with a prior. The court sentenced petitioner to 7 years in state  
24 prison.

25 I request an additional sixty days to answer because my existing backlog has prevented  
26 me from turning my attention to this case. Specifically, since my last application for an enlargement  
27 of time, I have filed respondent's briefs in *People v. Yang* (H030936), a murder case with a lengthy  
28 record which includes both a guilt and sanity phase. I have also filed an answer to a federal petition

1 for writ of habeas corpus in *Kazas v. Woodford* (C-04-04280). In each of these cases, the opening  
2 brief or petition was filed before this Court's order setting the briefing schedule in this case.

3 In addition, I was out of the office on a pre-planned vacation from May 7, 2008, through  
4 May 14, 2008.

5 Accordingly, I request that the Court grant respondent to and including August 8, 2008,  
6 in which to file its answer or other response to the petition.

7 I declare under penalty of perjury of the laws of the State of California and the United  
8 States of America that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed at San Francisco, California on  
9 June 4, 2008.

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11 /s/ **Lisa Ashley Ott**

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